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SUBJECT: STATEMENT ON LEIGH REPLACEMENT: MATTHEI SWORN IN

REF: SANTIAGO 5482

1. THE GOC ISSUED THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT AT APPROXIMATELY
1045 HOURS JULY 24 (EMBASSY TRANSLATION): QUOTE:

"ON THIS DATE, THE HONORABLE GOVERNING JUNTA, UNDER THE PRESIDENCY
OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC AND CONSISTING
OF THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF OF THE NAVY, ADMIRAL JOSE TORIBIO
MERINO CASTRO AND THE DIRECTOR GENERAL OF CARABINEROS, GENERAL
CESAR MENDOZA DURAN, UNANIMOUSLY AGREED, ON THE BASIS OF POWERS
CONFERRED BY DECREE LAW 527 OF 1974, TO DECLARE THE ABSOLUTE
IMPOSSIBILITY FOR GENERAL GUSTAVO LEIGH GUZMAN TO EXERCISE
FROM THIS DAY ON, JULY 24, 1978, THE POSITION OF COMMANDER IN CHIEF
OF THE AIR FORCE AND MEMBER OF THE HONORABLE GOVERNING JUNTA, FOR
REPEATEDLY FAILING TO ADHERE TO THE PRINCIPLES AND BELIEFS
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THAT INSPIRED THE NOVEMENT OF SEPTEMBER 11, 1973.

LIKewise, IT UNANIMOUSLY AGREED TO DESIGNATE AS COMMANDER IN CHIEF
OF THE AIR FORCE AND MEMBER OF THE HONORABLE GOVERNING JUNTA
GENERAL FERNANDO MATTHEI AUBEL, WHO IMMEDIATELY (SIC) TOOK OFFICE
AS INSTITUTIONAL COMMANDER IN CHIEF.

AT 1200 HOURS TODAY THE CEREMONY SWEARING-IN GENERAL MATTHEI
AS A MEMBER OF THE HONORABLE GOVERNING JUNTA WILL TAKE PLACE.

THE ACTION AGREED UPON IN NOW WAY AFFECTS THE AIR FORCE OF CHILE,
WHICH TOGETHER WITH THE SISTER INSTITUTIONS OF THE ARMED FORCES AND
ORDER, CONTINUE TO PATRIOTICALLY CARRY OUT THE HISTORICAL TASK OF
RECONSTRUCTION OF THE COUNTRY." UNQUOTE.

2. MATTHEI WAS SWORN IN AT ABOUT 1250 HOURS, JULY 24, IN A
CEREMONY AT DIEGO PORTALES.

3. THE SITUATION HERE APPEARS CALM. WE HAVE REPORTS OF TROOP
MOVEMENTS IN SANTIAGO BUT NO INDICATION THAT THERE HAVE BEEN
ANY INCIDENTS.
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